

The Torch



*"Generations Growing in
Faith for more than 75 years!"*

St. Dominic
Parish

Delhi Township,
OH

October 2017

Pastor's Desk

The St. Dominic Pastoral Council is the primary advisory body of the parish community to me and to the pastoral staff. They offer evaluations and recommendations regarding the quality of parish life and the effectiveness of parish services, programs and policies. They are a cross section of the parish and I trust that their evaluations and recommendations represent the wisdom of the parish community. Their feedback to me and the staff are an important aspect of our planning and decisions concerning parish life.

The parishioners who are serving in this ministry this year are: Mark Bruns, Debbie Henderer, Tom Burnside, Jenny Berndsen, Martha Queenan, Dan Clark, Jo Ann Neidich, Jennifer Bizaillon, and Nick Luebbering. If there are issues, programs, needs or policies that you feel we should address as a parish, please make them known to one of these parishioners, to me or to Deacon Mark.

We continue to welcome new parishioners. Many have commented that they like the spirit and the friendliness that they feel here at St. Dominic. Many drive past other Catholic churches to come here. We are living the part of our parish mission statement that says: "we strive to be a warm, welcoming, and caring community of people." As we often sing when we gather for Sunday Eucharist, "All Are Welcome."

Fr. Jim

May They Rest in The Peace of the Lord

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following parishioners, as they have entered eternal life.

Thomas Bruns, father of Ann and Mike Panaro, Kathy and Greg Bushle and Diane Geiger.

Fred Hornback, husband of Janet Hornback and father of Jennifer and Geoff Jung and Joseph and Regina Hornback.

Margaret Meyer, mother of Susan and Rich Groski, Marilynn and Steve Gallagan and Carolyn and Jon Sagers.

St. Dominic Website

Have you checked out our website lately? All the latest happenings in the Parish are listed in the “News and Events” section. You can read both the weekly bulletin and the monthly newsletter – the Torch online. You can also find Liturgical Ministers schedules, a Parish Calendar, contact information for the Parish Staff as well as all our Parish Ministries. Our website is www.stdominicedelhi.org.



Wedding Anniversary Mass

Couples celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th or 65th Wedding Anniversaries in 2017, will be honored at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 22. **A short reception will follow the Mass for relatives and friends in O'Connor Hall. Please RSVP by October 9, at 471-7741, ext. 0.** If you did not turn your name into the Parish Office for your Anniversary last spring, please call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0, by October 9. *If you are interested in helping to serve the reception, please call the Parish Office as soon as you are able to commit. Your help would be very much appreciated!*

Memorial Mass

On Wednesday evening, November 8 at 7:00 p.m., all members of our parish who have died this past year will be remembered in a special way at our Memorial Mass. We encourage all families, friends, and fellow parishioners to join us in song and prayer.

If you will be attending the Mass to remember a loved one who was not from this parish, please call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0 by November 1 to have them included.

Parental Preparation for Their Infant's Baptism



Baptisms take place on the first two Sundays of each month at 1:00 p.m. Parents requesting Baptism of their first child are asked to attend a preparation session. During this time, we will look at the history and theology of the sacrament, reflect on our own Baptism, and look at ways to pass the Catholic faith on to our children. Godparents are encouraged to attend as well. Our next session is scheduled for Sunday, October 15, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass in church. Contact Theresa Eagan at 471-7741, ext. 481, with questions about Baptism or to let us know that you will join us on October 15.

Communion for the Homebound



Home reception of the Eucharist is available for the sick, shut-in, and anyone else who may be unable to attend Mass on a temporary or permanent basis. For more information and scheduling, contact the parish office at 471-7741, ext. 0.



A Perfect Christmas Gift

Christmas is coming soon! Consider purchasing a Gathering Place paver for the person in your life who is hard to shop for.

Pavers are the gift that lets your mother, father, grandparent, child, or spouse know how cherished they are.

Order forms are available at the doors of church and the parish website at www.stdominicedelhi.org.

(Click on Ministries/General Parish Ministries/Gathering Place Walkway).

You can also stop in the Parish Office to order a paver.

The 4 x 8 bricks allow 3 lines with 13 characters per line and cost \$40.

The 8 x 8 pavers allow up to 6 lines with 13 characters per line and cost \$75.

If you have any questions, call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.



St. Dominic Men's Society

Members of the St. Dominic Men's Society will be selling lottery tickets at the church doors after each Mass through the end of October. Tickets are only \$5 each and will go to our scholarship fund. 100% of the money raised for the scholarship fund goes directly to students attending St. Dominic. Each day in November (except Sundays), a three-digit number will be drawn at random and the winner will receive \$100. Your ticket can win more than once!!

The St. Dominic Parish Men's Society invites the adult men in our parish and school families to attend our monthly meetings. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 8:00 p.m. in Fr. Grimmelsman Hall (the music room). Our meetings this fall will be on October 12, November 9, and December 14. In existence for 80+ years, the St. Dominic Men's Society is a faith, fellowship, and stewardship organization that supports the parish and school through service, financial assistance, and prayer. At our meetings, we discuss fund-raising activities for school scholarships and capital improvements (September – Golf Outing, November – Chances, February – Las Vegas Night), maintenance projects for the school, and other social and service activities. Contact BC Charles at charlesratc@gmail.com or 827-6401 for more information.

Hospitalized Parishioners

The local hospitals want to support you spiritually when you are admitted into the hospital. Below are some reminders to help make this process easier.

1. Upon admission, let them know you are Catholic.
2. **Notify the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0, if you are in the hospital. (Hospitals no longer make the call.)**
3. If you are scheduled for surgery, call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0, for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, **BEFORE** you go to the hospital.
4. Ask your nurse to call a hospital chaplain to offer spiritual care, help answer questions, provide communion and help contact your parish.

Goldenaires

PIZZA LUNCH – Tuesday, October 17 – Plan on joining your friends on the afternoon of October 17, for pizza, fun and games. LaRosa's pizza and soft drinks will be served at 11:30 a.m. in O'Connor Hall. After lunch, you will enjoy the companionship of your peers from the parish; you may even win a few prizes along the way. Reservations needed by October 15. Cost is \$5. Reservations can be sent to Goldenaires at St. Dominic Parish, 4551 Delhi Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45238. If you have any questions, call Joan at 922-6993.

ANNUAL DINNER – Saturday, November 11 – Wine, soda and appetizers will be served at 5:30 p.m., with our catered dinner at 6:00 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Cincinnati Museum Center, "Christmas Memories with Rosemary and Doris." The price is \$15. Reservations in advance by November 6th. Desserts courtesy of Vitt Stermer & Anderson. Please watch the bulletins in October for more details.

St. Dominic Parishioners for Life

Our Pro-Life Ministry meets monthly on the 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Faith Sharing Room of the Parish Center. This ministry allows people of all ages and abilities to channel their time and energy to benefit Pro-Life causes. One of the Pro-Life causes we support is Pregnancy Center West on Glenway Avenue near Price Hill Chili. For more information and membership, please contact Theresa Morris (289-7989 or theresam1953@me.com), Marty Berning (680-0046 or regis.ic@fuse.net) or Peggy and Zack Fugman (fugmanp@fuse.net). Our meeting this month is on October 16. All are welcome to join us.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children

St. Dominic's RCIA process continues year-round. Because of this, adults and children can begin at any time. Most who come to the Catholic Church as adults do so because God has called them through other people. If you know someone who may be interested in the Catholic Faith, ask him or her to call us, or ask if he or she would like for you to call and make the first "contact." While new Inquirers can join St. Dominic's RCIA process at any time, because of our lingering "school year mindset," many people begin to consider inquiring about the faith as the new school year begins. Now is a great time to reach out and mention becoming Catholic to someone you know who may be considering it! For more information, contact Theresa at 471-7741, ext. 418 or teagan@stdominicdelhi.org.



Veterans Day Mass

The students and faculty of St. Dominic School would like to recognize and thank the veterans of our parish at the 8:15 a.m. School Mass on Friday, November 10. If you are a military veteran of St. Dominic Parish and would like to join us for this ceremony, please RSVP by contacting teacher Mary White at mwhite@stdominicdelhi.org or 251-1276, ext. 215, by Friday, October 20th.

First Day of School

Welcome back to all the students, teachers and staff. We saw a lot of smiles on the first day back from both the students and parents!



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COMMUNITY DINNER

October 19, 2017

5:00 p.m. to

6:30 p.m.

In O'Connor Hall

Hope to see everyone there!

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